

MC Derek Bryant teaches Compost Basics Workshop at SoFa Pocket Park

Introduction

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Week Recap

- Pam and Alyce led an amazing DIY worm bin kids workshop at Los Gatos Library on 4/2 with trainees observing
- Derek taught the basics of composting at the SoFa Pocket
 Park for their First Friday garden event!
- Victoria M and Marilyn tabled at the Community Garden Day in Santa Clara with trainees observing
- Chris, Terry, and Victoria Roberts taught Compost Basics in Palo Alto

Upcoming



<u>Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:</u>

Saturday 5/4/2024 10am - 12pm Help Bridget!	Compost Basics	Poppy Jasper Room, Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center 17000 Monterey Rd Morgan Hill, 95038	Morgan Hill
Saturday 5/11/2024 10am - 12pm Help Jack!	Compost Basics	Cupertino Library 10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014	Cupertino
Saturday 6/22/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto

<u>Upcoming Tabling Needing Volunteers:</u>

Thursday, April 11, 2024	10:00 am to 2:00 pm	Earth Day Arbor Day	Santa Clara
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Cisco Compute Green Social	San Jose
Thursday, April 18, 2024	11:00:00 AM-2:00 PM	Eco Fair	Santa Clara

There are also quite a few Community Earth Day events for April 20th not listed here. Find one in your neighborhood and



Upcoming: Kids Composting

Campbell School of Innovation

We have Worms to give them so please sign up to help!

- Presentation: vermicomposting
- Class: 2nd Grade 100 students
- Possible dates/times: Second week of April 8:30-9:00, 9:00-9:30 or 10:30-11:00, 11:00-11:30
- School Address: 295 Cherry Lane Campbell, CA, 95008



Blach Intermediate School

- Presentation: compost basics
- Class: 7th Grade 175 students, (periods 1, 2, 3, 4, 6)
- Possible dates/times: April 16th 8:30-3:03 pm
- · Can sign up for morning or afternoon shift
- School Address: 1120 Covington Road, Los Altos, 94024

Sherman Oaks Dual Language School

- Presentation: vemicompossting
- Class: Kindergarten, 60 students
- Possible dates/times: 04/19/24 11-12 or 1:15-2:15
- School Address: 1800 Fruitdale Ave, San Jose, 95128



Other Schools that want us during Earth Month!

Stratford school De Anza, Sunnyvale
Santa Teresa Elementary School, San Jose
Discovery Charter School, San Jose
Capri Elementary ,Campbell
Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto
Ellis Elementary, Sunnyvale



Please sign up for a kids classroom activity by filling out your name on the Kids Composting Google Sheet under the Master Composters column and I will confirm with the schools that we have at the minimum two volunteers confirmed to teach

Important Resources

- Log your hours continuously throughout the year so you don't get stuck in the June reappointment slump!
- Log your volunteer hours here!

You can find previous
 recorded CE speakers on
 the private Master
 Composter website.

Watch the meeting recordings here

- Looking for example
 presentations and other
 helpful resources? Check
 out our shared Google
 Drive.
- Explore the Google Drive here

Bookmark & save the
 <u>Continuing Education</u>
 <u>Zoom link</u>

Composting Ed

Initial Training

Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm

• Rot Crew Calendar:

Rot Crew Calendar Link



Signup Sheet Links



WORKSHOP SIGNUP

CLASSROOM SIGNUP

EVENT SIGNUP







Third Saturday Work Day!

- Work Day will Continue on April 20th
- Monthly Meeting will be held in person!
- Bring your Greens!

Wednesday Workdays

- Join us at Martial Cottle Park from 10-12
- · Weather permitting
- check the <u>rot crew google calendar</u> for more information

Remember to post **scan the QR code by the worm CFT** any time you come to Martial Cottle Park to let us know what you've done there!

• Bring newspapers Martial Cottle Park!





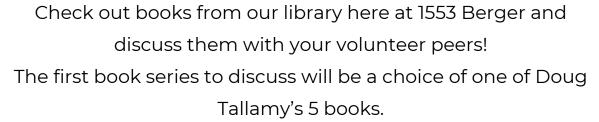




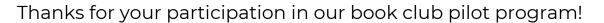




Interested in joining a Master Composter/Master Gardener
Book Club?



 Please rsvp to Ingrid Graeve at: <u>ingridg210@yahoo.com</u>. Indicate whether you prefer in-person or zoom meetings and which Doug Tallamy book you will be reading.



















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NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Is there An Ocean Below Your Feet?

Some scientists think Earth's oceans formed when icy comets hit the planet. But new research suggests a different origin for the oceans: they simply seeped out of the center of the Earth.

By Julia Rothchild

The Smithsonian

Wait, does America suddenly have a record number of bees?

Where in the unholy heck did all these bees come from?!

By <u>Andrew Van Dam</u>

Washington Post



